

**REMARKS**

The specification is amended to correct the filing date of the parent application, and to mention the Figures 14A and 14B. These corrections are made in response to objections noted by the Examiner.

Certain claims are revised to change passage language to refer to the structure performing the recited action.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted with this response.

Claims 36-45, 51-57, 58, 60-76, and 81-91 stand rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of double patenting over Claims 1-50 of U.S. Patent No. 6,356,841. In response to this rejection, the Applicant here submits a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to the '841 patent. With this Terminal Disclaimer now of record in the present application, the Applicant submits that the basis for the double-patenting rejection no longer exists. Accordingly, that rejection should be withdrawn.

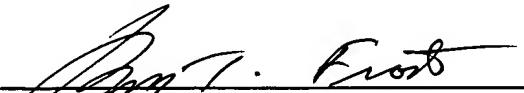
Claims 31-35, 46-50, 59, and 77-80 were rejected as anticipated by *Westerlage* (US 5,987,377). Those claims are here cancelled without prejudice, rendering the aforementioned rejection moot.

The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Office Action identified above. The Applicant submits that the present application now is in condition for allowance and solicits a notice to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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